कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री अरविंद नेताम) (क) से (ग) मसालों की खेती के लिए केन्द्रीय सहायता सम्भावना वाले सभी 26 राज्यों/संघ शासित क्षेत्रों में काली मिर्च की जड़दार कलमों के उत्पादन, अदरक, मिर्च और बीज रूपी मसालों के नाभिकीय बीजों के उत्पादन और लौंग, जायफल और दालचीनी/अमलतास की अच्छी/गुणवत्ता वाली पौध रोपण सामग्री के उत्पादन के लिए दी जाती है।

(घ) यह प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता।

Relaxation of norms for Assistance in the use of drip Irrigation

2870. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA:
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:
SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently relaxed norms for providing assistance in the use of drip and sprinkler irrigation systems;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the farmers growing any type of commodity would be offered such incentive; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details in this regard are given in the enclosed statement. (see below).

(c) and (d) At present, the subsidy for the installation of drip irrigation system is available for all horticuture crops including oil palm and excluding tea, coffee and rubber while the assistance for spinkler irrigation system is available for oilseeds, pulses and cotton.

Statement

Statement indicating the revised pattern of assistance for Sprinkler & Drip Irrigation System

(A) Sprinkler System

Under the Oil Seed Production Programme and National Pulses Development Programme, the amount of subsidy for sprinkler sets would be Rs. 15,000/- per hectare or 75 per cent of the cost of the system per hectare whichever is less, for SC/ST and women farmers. In the case of women farmers, the assistance would be admissible only to those women whose name occur in the land revenue records as lands holders and will be restricted to her share of land in case of her being a joint holder as per land revenue records. For farmers belonging to other categories, the subsidy would be Rs. 10,000/- per hectare or 50 per cent of the cost of the system per hectare whichever is less. The subsidy would be admissible to the extent of ceiling limits permissible under the relevant State Land Ceiling Acts.

(B) Drip Irrigation System

For Drip Irrigation System, the restriction on subsidy to one hectare per beneficiary for horticulture crops has been removed. The subsidy will be admissible at the rate of Rs. 15,000/- per hectare or 50 per cent of the cost of drip system whichever is less without any ceiling on aceage, subject to thhe condition that subsidy will be admissible to the extent of ceiling limits permissible under the relevant State Land Ceiling Acts.

Schemes for Water Shed Development

2871. SHRI V. RAJESHWAR RAO:
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes available for water shed development;

(b) the budgetary provisions available for such schemes for the current year;

(c) whether any subsidy is available for work done privately; and

(d) whethher private sector is encouraged in this area and if so, in which manner?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) and (b) Statement is enclosed (*See* below).

(c) and (d) Assistance is being provided to the beneficiaries to take up various activities in the project area. Non-Governmental Organisations are being associated in certain project activities like training of beneficares, awarenss generation, formation of Self Help Groups and preparation of Project Plans etc.

Statement

(Rs. in crore)

Name of Scheme	Budgetary Provision for current year (94-95)
I. *CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEMES :*	
1. National Watershed Development Project for Rainfed Areas (NWDPRA).	Rs. 188.58
2. Soil Conservation in the Catchment of River Valley Projects.	Rs.60.00
3. Integrated Watershed Management in Catchments of Flood Prone Rivers.	Rs. 30.00
4. Watershed Development Projects in Shifting Cultivation Areas.	Rs. 15.00
5. Drought Prone Area Programme	Rs. 85.00
6. Desert Development Programme	Rs. 85.00
7. Integrated Wastelands Development Project.	Rs. 308.48
II. *WORLD BANK ASSISTED PROJECTS :*	
1. Integrated Watershed Development Project (Hills)	Rs. 29.85
2. Integrated Watershed Development Project (Plains).	Rs. 38.14
3. Agricultural Development Project, Tamil Nadu (Watershed component).	Rs. 2.39
4. Bihar Plateau Development Project (Watershed component)	Rs. 1.90
III. *DANIDA ASSISTED PROJECTS :*	
1. Comprehensive Watershed Development Project, Karnataka.	Rs. 2.30
2. Comprehensive Watershed Development Project, Orissa.	Rs. 1.13
3. Comprehensive Watershed Development Project, Ramanatha Puram, Tamil Nadu.	Rs. 0.96
4. Comprehensive Watershed Development Project, Tirunelveli, Tamil Nadu.	Rs. 4.30

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IV. *EEC. ASSISTED PROJECTS :*	
1. Integrated Watershed Dev. Project South Bhagirathi Phase– II (U.P.)	Rs. 3.19
2. Integrated Watershed Dev. Project Bhimtal (U.P.) . . .	Rs. 2.31
3. Integrated Watershed Dev. Project Doon Valley (U.P.) . .	Rs. 3.25
V. *GERMAN ASSISTED PROJECTS :*	
1. Integrated Watershed Management Project, Karnataka . .	Rs. 0.40
2. Indo-German Watershed Development Programme, Maharashtra .	Rs. NIL
VI. Swiss Development Corporation Assisted Project	Rs. 0.80

Newly developed varieties of seeds

2872. SHRI G. PRATHAPA REDDY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the newly developed varieties of seeds which are available with the National Seeds Corporation;

(b) whether the seeds developed by research and found useful are being taken up by the NSC for sale;

(c) what is the amount of money which the NSC spends on Research and Developments; and

(d) in view of the GATT what changes of policy and programme have been made by the NSC?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) National Seeds Corporation (NSC) Limited, a public sector undertaking under the control of this Ministry, undertake the multiplication of varieties and hybrids released by State Agriculture Universities and ICAR Institutes. Details of newly developed varieties which are under multiplication by NSC are enclosed as per Statement-I and II (See below).

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Since NSC have no separate research and development wing, no amount of money has been incurred by NSC on research and development programme.

(d) To meet the challenge posed by foreign seed Companies and private Comnanies with foreign collaboration, NSC gearing itself to distribute improved seed to the farmers at competitive prices by undertaking production of popular public bred hybrids/improved varieties and import of varieties hybrids of superior geno-type which are in demand.